# Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI)

# **Nonpublic School Personnel Report**

# **Application User's Guide**

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#### Introduction

This User's Guide is intended for all authorized users of the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application. Along with this document, please read the Data Field Descriptions and any addenda posted to the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Web page at <a href="www.michigan.gov/cepi">www.michigan.gov/cepi</a>. Click on the link "Nonpublic School Personnel Report" located under Quick Links on the right navigation bar. The User's Guide is divided into sections to correlate with the online application and includes general information about each field to be submitted, instructions for using the data entry system, and how to create reports of the data submitted.

#### **General Information**

#### What information is entered into the Nonpublic School Personnel Report?

The Nonpublic School Personnel Report is designed to collect basic employment elements relating to all nonpublic school personnel. Personnel data must be submitted via the Internet once each year in the fall. Data are entered and edited online.

Data compiled via the Nonpublic School Personnel Report will be used to meet the requirements of the school safety legislation. Effective January 1, 2006, Michigan law requires that criminal history checks be conducted by the Michigan State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for all regular and contracted employees hired or assigned by public and nonpublic schools.

#### When is the Nonpublic School Personnel Report due?

The application is open from August 15, 2006 through October 6, 2006. The deadline is October 6, 2006.

# Need help?

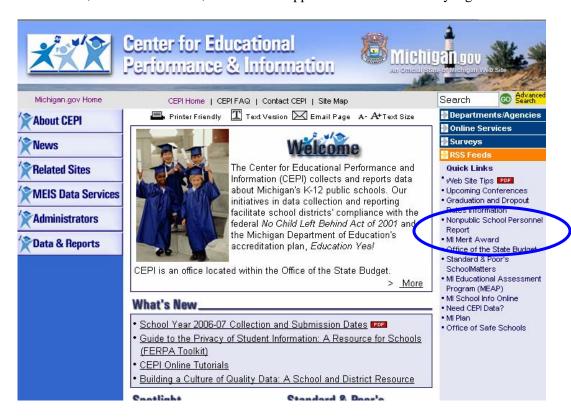
#### Michigan Education Information System (MEIS) Account or Password

If you have problems with your MEIS account or password while you are using the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application on the MEIS system, please contact the Department of Information Technology (DIT) Client Service Center at 517-335-0505, or by e-mail at <a href="https://example.com/Help-Desk@michigan.gov">Help-Desk@michigan.gov</a>.

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#### Nonpublic School Personnel Report Content Information and Resource Materials

For detailed information about the Nonpublic School Personnel Report, please visit the CEPI Web site at www.michigan.gov/CEPI. Click on the "Nonpublic School Personnel Report" link located on the right navigation bar under the heading Quick Links. This link will provide information about the submission of the Nonpublic School Personnel Report, such as the Data Field Descriptions, current submission information, resource materials, access to the application and the Security Agreement.

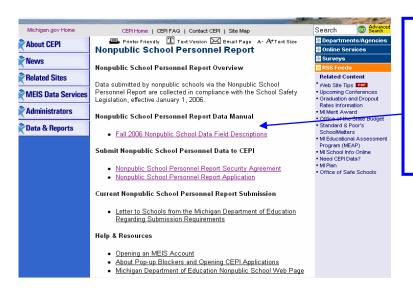


For questions regarding report content, please e-mail <a href="Help-Desk@michigan.gov">Help-Desk@michigan.gov</a> or call the DIT Client Service Center at 517-335-0505. Please provide your name, school code and school name, the CEPI application name, your telephone number (including area code and extension), your e-mail address, and your specific questions.

#### Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions

The Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions document is posted on the CEPI Web site at <a href="www.michigan.gov/CEPI">www.michigan.gov/CEPI</a>. Click on "Nonpublic School Personnel Report" located on the right navigation bar under the heading Quick Links (illustrated above). The Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions can be found under the heading "Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Manual" at this site.

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Be sure to print the Fall 2006 Data Field Descriptions and any Addenda that may be posted in the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Manual section.

## **Application Startup and Security**

#### Authorized User - Your MEIS Account

The Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application is available to individuals who first obtain an MEIS Account (MEIS Account number, user name and password) and then receive authorization via a security application for the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application. If you do not have an MEIS account, go to the MEIS Web site at https://www.cepi.state.mi.us/MEISpublic/ (screen below). You may use the same MEIS account number for all MEIS applications, but a separate security agreement is required for each application you are authorized to access.

All questions concerning your MEIS account number and/or password should be directed to the DIT Client Service Center at 517-335-0505 or <a href="mailto:Help-Desk@michigan.gov">Help-Desk@michigan.gov</a>.

#### **Create your MEIS Account**

To create your MEIS account number and password, go to the MEIS Web site at: <a href="https://www.cepi.state.mi.us/MEISpublic/">https://www.cepi.state.mi.us/MEISpublic/</a>. Follow the directions on this page to obtain your MEIS Account (MEIS Account number, user name and password) or to update your MEIS Account information.

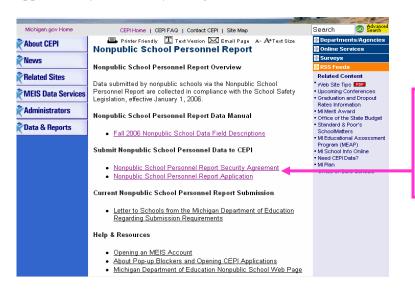
#### The following screen will appear:

Welcome to the MEIS User Management System  MEIS Accounts are used to access MEIS web-based applications bearing this logo:			
Questions & Answers regarding MEIS User Management			
If you are <b>new</b> to the MEIS system, and were asked to obtain an MEIS account, please select the link (below on the left) labeled: Create an MEIS Account  If you have already created an MEIS account and would like to adjust your account settings (i.e. change your MEIS password, adjust address info, etc.) please login with the MEIS Login box provided (below on the right).			
If you <b>HAVE</b> an MEIS Account, please login:			
MEIS Login  Login:  Password:  Login			
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#### **Security Agreement**

After you have established your MEIS account, download the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Security Agreement from the MEIS Data Services page on the CEPI Web site at <a href="www.michigan.gov/cepi">www.michigan.gov/cepi</a>. Click on "Nonpublic School Personnel Report" located under the Quick Links on right navigation bar. The Security Agreement is located in the box titled, **Submit Nonpublic School Report Data to CEPI**. Follow the directions on the security form, and once you have completed the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Security Agreement and it has been processed at the DIT Client Service Center, you will receive an e-mail notification that you have access to the application. Once you have security access to the application, you are ready to begin.



Click here on the Web site to obtain a copy of the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application Security Agreement.

# **Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application**

## Accessing the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application

The Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application may be accessed through two sites:

1) Click on the "Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application" under the heading Submit Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data to CEPI.

#### Submit Nonpublic School Personnel Data to CEPI

- · Nonpublic School Personnel Report Security Agreement
- Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application

Click here on the Web site to access the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application.

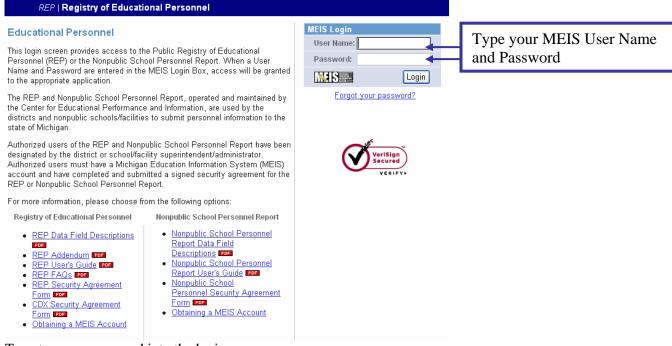
2) The Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application is also available via the Michigan Department of Education's Nonpublic School Home Page under the heading Nonpublic School Personnel Report at: http://www.michigan.gov/npshs

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#### **MEIS Login Screen**

When you click on "Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application," the following screen will be displayed. The next step is to enter your MEIS login "User Name" and "Password":



To enter your password into the login screen:

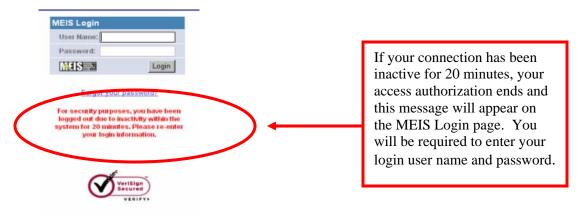
- 1. **Click** in the **Login** box.
- 2. **Type** your **Login User Name**.
- 3. Press the Tab key to go to the Password box or put your cursor in the Password box.
- 4. **Type** your **Password**.
- 5. **Click** on the **Login** button.

If you need assistance, please contact the DIT Client Service Center at 517-335-0505, or via e-mail at <a href="https://example.com/Help-Desk@michigan.gov">Help-Desk@michigan.gov</a>.

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#### **System Logs Out User**

The login is needed to establish your identity and allow access rights to the database information. Please remember that your session is tracked. Your login user name and password are valid as long as you have been active on the screen within the last 20 minutes. If your connection has been inactive for a period of 20 minutes, your access authorization ends, and you must log in again. Any pending or partial information you have entered will be lost and must be re-entered when you log in again. The complete record must be entered with valid data in all fields and you must click on "Submit Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data for this Employee" for the data to be saved.

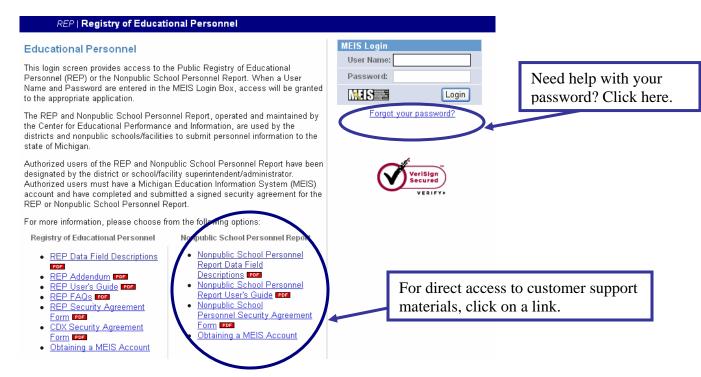


#### Access Denied

#### **Access Denied?**

If you have entered your MEIS login name and password correctly and access is denied, please contact the DIT Client Service Center at 517-335-0505, or via e-mail at Help-Desk@michigan.gov.

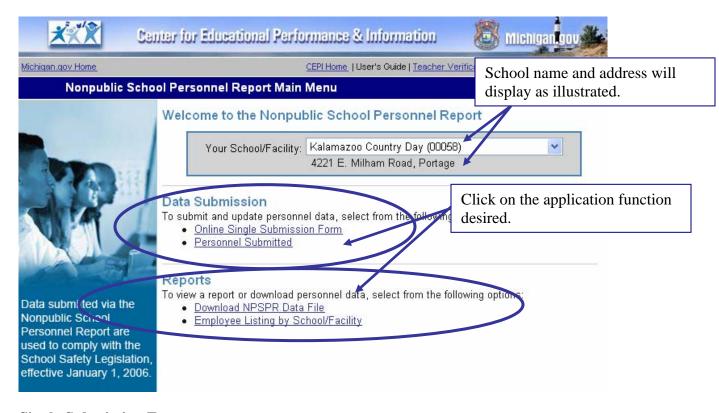
# **Online Customer Support Materials**



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# Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application Menu Options

Once you log in, the following Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application Welcome screen will appear. To access an option, click on it.



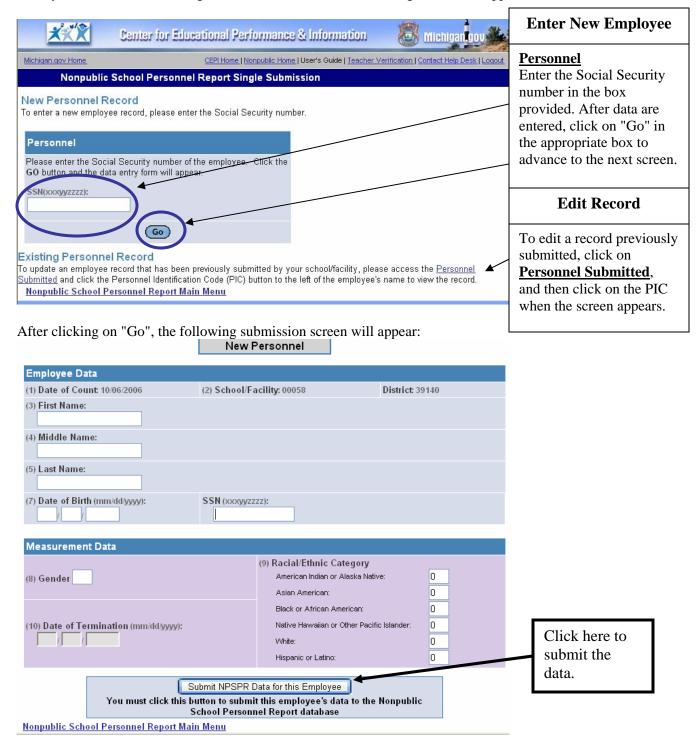
#### **Single Submission Form**

For the submission of a single record, click on "Online Single Submission Form" on the Main Menu of the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application. Each section is described separately. The fields are presented by section as they appear in the online application. Be sure to refer to the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions for each field submitted for complete information regarding the required data elements. The Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions provide detailed information about each field in the application.

# Data Submission To submit and update personnel data, select from the following functions: Online Single Submission Form Personnel Submitted Click here.

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After you click on "Online Single Submission Form," the following screen will appear:

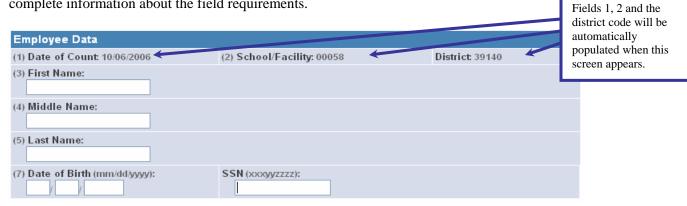


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#### **Employee Data**

#### Fields 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11.

The numbers in each box indicate the number of the field in the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions. Please refer to the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions for complete information about the field requirements.



*Note:* Field 1: Date of Count and Field 2: School/Facility are prepopulated in the online application with the appropriate date of count and the authorized user's school/facility number.

#### Field 1: Date of Count

The date of count is the due date for submission of the Nonpublic School Personnel Report data. For 2006, the date of count is 10/06/2006 and is prepopulated in the application.

#### Field 2: School/Facility Number

This is the operating number for the school/facility. This code is the state-assigned school/facility number and identifies the school/facility where the staff member is employed. This field is prepopulated in the application.

#### Field 3: Last Name

This field is required for all personnel. This is the staff member's last name. When submitting data in this application, punctuation marks are not permitted. In order to account for all positions in the school, report all staff members who fill positions that are temporarily vacant because of the termination of a staff member. Record all pertinent information about the temporary substitute or contractor that would be recorded for any employee.

**Programming edits:** If this field is left blank, a fatal error will be reported.

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#### Field 4: First Name

This field is required for all personnel. This is the employee's first name. When submitting data in this application, punctuation marks are not permitted. In order to account for all positions in the school, report all staff members who fill positions that are temporarily vacant because of the termination of a staff member. Record all pertinent information about the temporary substitute or contractor that would be recorded for an employee on staff.

**Programming edits**: If this field is left blank, a fatal error will be reported.

#### Field 5: Middle Name

This field is submitted for all personnel when applicable. This is the employee's middle name (when applicable). When submitting data in this application, punctuation marks are not permitted. A period is permitted for a middle initial (i.e. L.) In order to account for all positions in the school, report all staff members who fill positions that are temporarily vacant because of the termination of a staff member. Record all pertinent information about the temporary substitute or contractor that would be recorded for an employee on staff.

Programming edits: Blanks accepted.

#### Field 6: Social Security Number

This field is required for all personnel. This field provides the official identification of each employee. The Social Security number must be reported without hyphens or spaces, e.g., 333-22-4444 is entered as 333224444.

**Programming edits:** This field must be reported, or a fatal error will be reported.

#### Field 7: Date of Birth

This field must be reported for all personnel. This is the date of birth of the staff member employed in the school.

**Programming edits**: If the date of birth is blank, out of range, or not a valid date, a fatal error will be reported. The date of birth cannot be greater than 90 years prior to July 1 of the submission year and cannot be earlier than 14 years prior to July 1 of the submission year, or a fatal error will be reported.

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# Measurement Data Fields 8, 9, and 10

Measurement Data		
	(9) Racial/Ethnic Category	
(8) Gender	American Indian or Alaska Native:	0
	Asian American:	0
(10) Date of Termination (mm/dd/yyyy):	Black or African American:	0
	Native Havvaiian or Other Pacific Islander:	0
	White:	0
	Hispanic or Latino:	0

#### Field 8: Gender Code

This field applies to all personnel. This is the gender of the staff member employed in the school. Report an "F" for female or an "M" male.

**Programming edits:** If the code is invalid or blank, a fatal error will be reported.

#### Field 9: Racial/Ethnic Code

This field applies to all personnel. This is the race/ethnicity of the staff member employed by the school. The primary racial/ethnic choice is represented with a "1", the second choice is a "2", the third a "3", the fourth a "4", the fifth a "5", and the sixth a "6". Type the number in the appropriate box(es) for the data for each employee.

Identify the race/ethnicity of the staff member. Refer to Field 9: Racial/Ethnic Code, in the Data Field Descriptions for more information about the race/ethnicity selections.

**Programming edits:** If the code is invalid or blank, a fatal error will be reported. At least one of the six categories must be submitted with a "1" or a fatal error will be reported. Repetition of a "1" in all positions will result in a fatal error.

#### Field 10: Date of Termination/Separation of Employment

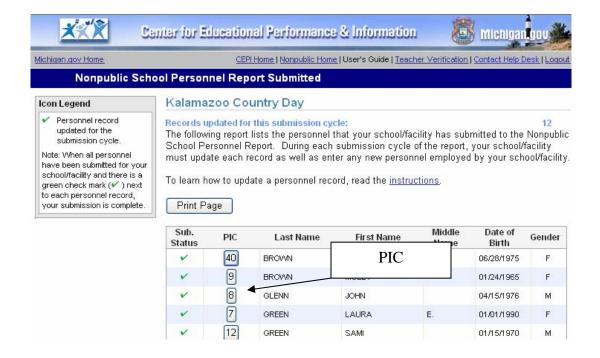
This field applies to all personnel. This is the date of termination of the staff member. This field will be left blank for the fall 2006 data submission. Submission of any termination dates necessary for staff members will begin with the fall 2007 submission.

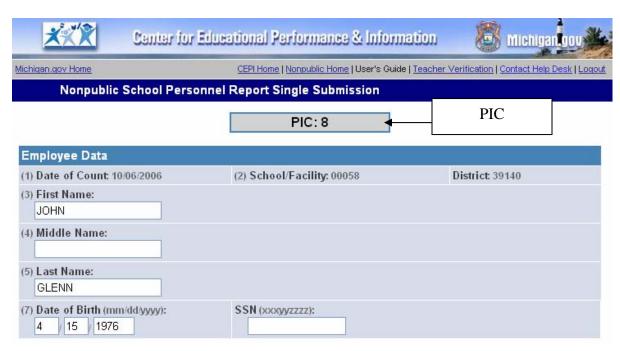
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### **Personnel Identification Code (PIC)**

#### **Field 11: Personnel Identification Code (PIC)**

The application produces the PIC. For new record submissions, the PIC will be assigned when the record is saved. The PIC appears at the top of the online submission screen for each record after the record has been saved.





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## Saving a Record/Updating a Record

After all data are entered for a record, click on "Submit NPSPR Data for this Employee." The data will then be error-checked and either:

- 1) Saved as a valid record; OR
- 2) Reported with an error message(s).



#### Nonpublic Personnel Main Menu

#### Saved as Valid Record

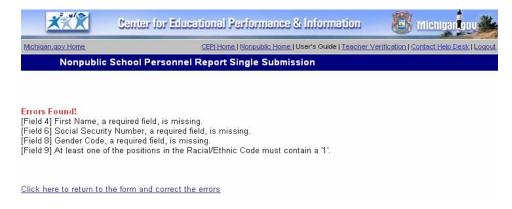
If the data entered produces a valid record, the following screen will appear:



You may either click on <u>View your Personnel Submitted</u> to view a listing of all of your school's personnel previously submitted, click on <u>Click here to add a new record</u>, or click on <u>Nonpublic Personnel Main Menu</u> to return to the main menu for other options.

#### **Invalid Record**

If the data entered produces an invalid record, an Error Message Report will appear. The following illustrates a sample Error Message Report:



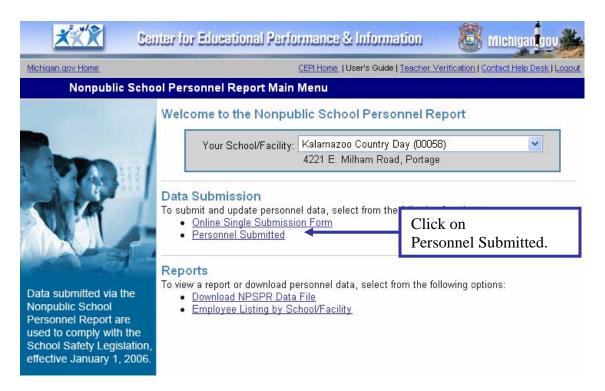
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To make the necessary edits on the record, click on <u>Click here to return to the form and correct the errors</u>. You will then be directed to the submission screen to make the corrections. Once all errors have been edited, click on "Submit NPSPR Data for this Employee" again. If the record is error-free, it is then saved as a valid record. If more error messages are received, repeat the process until all errors are corrected. Only error-free records can be saved.

When the record is saved as a valid record, you may use <u>Click here to add a new record</u> to return to a new entry screen, click on <u>Click here to View your Personnel Submitted</u>, or click on <u>Nonpublic Personnel Main Menu</u> to return to the main menu for other options.

#### Update/Verify a Record

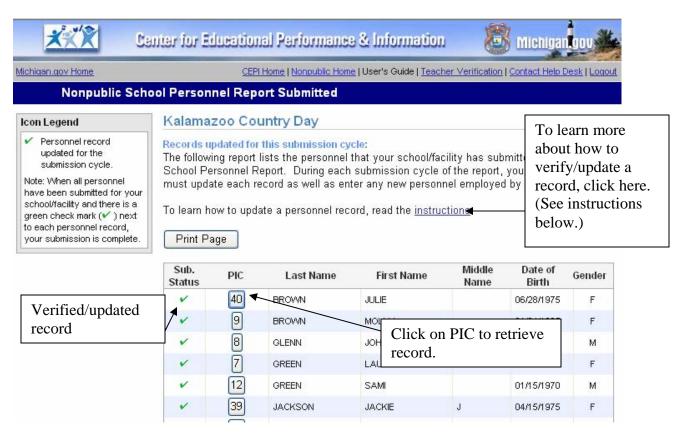
During each submission cycle, every record must be verified as accurate. Records may be updated/verified at any time during a submission cycle. Go to the Main Menu. Click on "Personnel Submitted."



The following Personnel Submitted Report will appear, showing a list of the personnel who have been submitted by your school. For this first submission of nonpublic school personnel, each record submitted will show a green check mark ( $\checkmark$ ). When all of the personnel records have been submitted for your school/facility, your submission is complete.

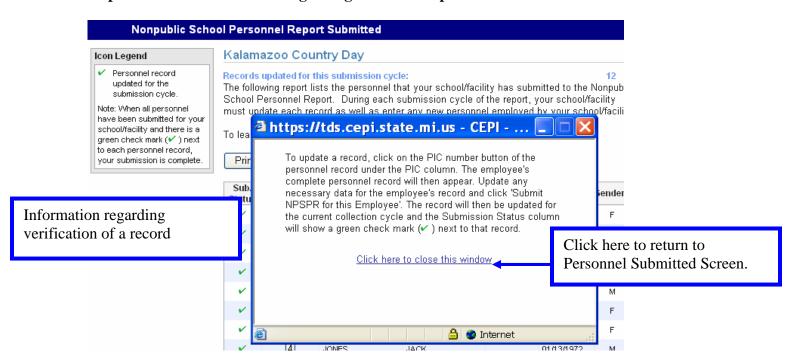
To review a record that has been submitted for the school's personnel, click on the PIC for the employee you wish to review. The Nonpublic School Personnel Report Application screen will appear with the employee's previously submitted data. See the illustrations that follow:

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After the employee record is updated or verified, click on "Submit NPSPR Data for this Employee" at the bottom of the submission screen. If the update contains errors, the Error Message Report illustrated previously will appear. All errors must be corrected before the record can be updated.

#### **Help Window -- Information regarding Personnel Update Instructions**



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## **Personnel Submitted Report/Complete Submission**

The Personnel Submitted Report lists all employees reported successfully for your school for each submission cycle. This report can be found on the Main Menu application.



# **Deleting a Record**

Records may only be deleted from the Nonpublic School Personnel Report database by CEPI personnel. Only those records for individuals who have never worked for your school or duplicate records submitted in error may be deleted from your file. Employees who have retired or terminated employment with the school will not be deleted.

To request to have a record deleted from your file, you must do the following:

- 1. Send an e-mail message to Help-Desk@michigan.gov.
- **2.** Subject line: REMOVE EMPLOYEE.
- 3. Message: School name and school number followed by the employee's PIC number and name. Include a school contact name and phone number.
- **4.** A Help Ticket will be created for you, and the employee(s) will be removed from your school by CEPI.
- 5. Note: If you are requesting removal of a duplicate record, the original record submitted by your school will be retained in your Nonpublic School Personnel Report file.

Remember, you may only request record deletions for employees listed in your Personnel Report who have never worked for your school or for duplicate records submitted in error.

If you request to delete a record in error, you will be required to resubmit that record.

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#### **Reports Available to Schools**

In addition to the Personnel Submitted Report, there are two reports available to the schools:

- 1) Download NPSPR Data File
- 2) Employee Listing by School.

#### Reports

To view a report or download personnel data, select from the following options:

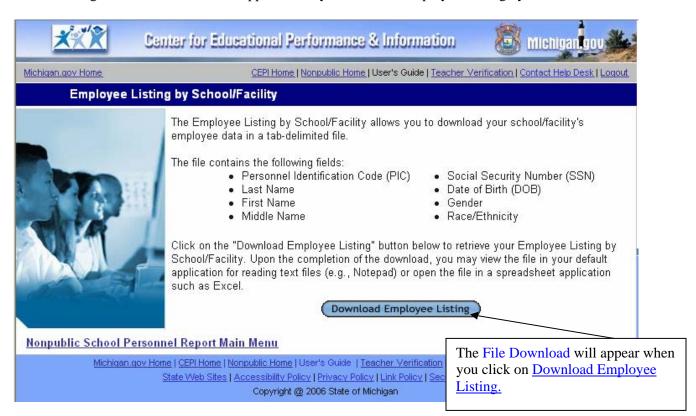
- Download NPSPR Data File
- Employee Listing by School/Facility

Reports – Click on the report you wish to access.

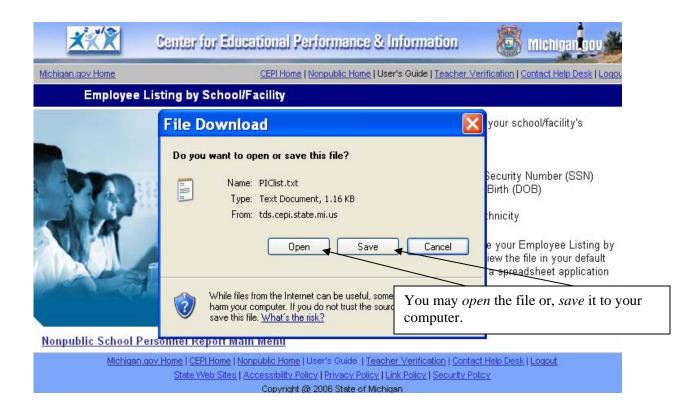
#### **Employee Listing by School**

This report lists employees for whom records were successfully submitted by the school. This list file is tab-delimited and the format of the report is as follows: Personnel Identification Code (PIC), Last Name, First Name, Middle Name, Social Security Number (SSN), Date of Birth (DOB), Gender, Racial/Ethnic Code

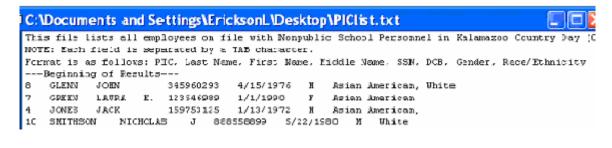
The following information screen will appear when you click on "Employee Listing by School":



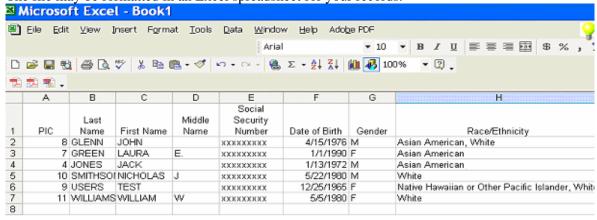
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The data file will appear as follows:



The file may be formatted in an Excel spreadsheet for your records.



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#### **Download Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data File**

This selection will provide a downloadable XML file of the data submitted for the current submission cycle.

#### Reports

To view a report or download personnel data, select from the following options:

• Download NPSPR Data File

• Employee Listing by School/Facility

Click here.

CEPI has received requests from schools to provide a method to download the Nonpublic School Personnel data that your school has successfully submitted to CEPI. As a result of this request, CEPI has provided an option to download a data file. The downloadable data file will be in XML format (.xml file extension). XML is a structured computer language that is used to store data in a text-formatted file. This file may be opened in any text editor program (e.g., Notepad, Microsoft Word) or Web browser (e.g., Microsoft Internet Explorer, Netscape). It may also be imported to a Microsoft Access database or opened in a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet.

The primary purpose of obtaining this file is to allow your school to have a permanent record of the data that it has successfully submitted to CEPI at any given time. CEPI recommends keeping a record/report of all data submission.

#### The XML data file layout

The layout below will be used primarily by developers and IT staff members to gain an understanding of how the data are stored in the XML file. A brief description of the data contained in each field is given to the right of the field. The layout is as follows:

```
<NonpublicData>
 <PersonnelRecord>
       <PIC>
       <DateOfCount />
                                             - Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
       <Isd />
                                             - Text (NN)
                                             - Text (NNNNN)
       <School/>
       <LastName />
                                             - Text
       <FirstName />
                                             - Text
       <MiddleName />
                                             - Text
       <SocialSecurityNumber />
                                             - Text (NNNNNNNN)
       <DateOfBirth />
                                             - Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
       <GenderCode />
                                             - Text (A)
       <RacialEthnic>
               <RacialEthnicCode1 />
                                             - Boolean (0 or 1)
               <RacialEthnicCode2 />
                                             - Boolean (0 or 1)
               <RacialEthnicCode3 />
                                             - Boolean (0 or 1)
               <RacialEthnicCode4 />
                                             - Boolean (0 or 1)
               <RacialEthnicCode5 />
                                             - Boolean (0 or 1)
               <RacialEthnicCode6 />
                                             - Boolean (0 or 1)
       </RacialEthnic>
       <DateOfTermination>
                                             - Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
 </PersonnelRecord>
<PersonnelRecord>
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#### Using Microsoft Access to view the XML data file

This XML file may be imported into a Microsoft Access XP database, if desired. Please note that this will only work with Microsoft Access version XP or higher. These instructions will not work with Access 2000 or lower. To import your Nonpublic School Personnel Report XML data file to an Access XP database, simply follow these steps:

- 1. Start Microsoft Access XP and create a new blank database.
- 2. Name the database whatever you wish.
- 3. Under the File menu, select "Get External Data," and then select "Import..."
- 4. In the Import dialog box that appears, find the drop-down list at the bottom labeled "Files of type." Scroll down through that list and select the XML Documents option.
- 5. Locate the saved XML file on your computer, select that file, and click the Import button.
- 6. The Import XML dialog box will appear.
- 7. Click OK.

You should get a message box that says "Finished importing document..." Click OK and your Access XP database will be set up and contain your school's data.

**Information on the table structure:** The EmploymentData table contains the bulk of the information on the employee, such as the name, birthdate, SSN, etc. The RacialEthnic table contains the racial/ethnic codes and values (refer to the Nonpublic School Personnel Report Data Field Descriptions for an explanation of the codes). Complete personnel information can be found by using this relationship.

#### Using Microsoft Excel to view the XML data file

The XML data file may also be opened with Microsoft Excel XP as well. Please note that this will only work with Microsoft Excel version XP or higher. These instructions will not work with Excel 2000 or lower. To open your XML data file in Excel XP, simply follow these steps:

- 1. Start Microsoft Excel XP.
- 2. Under the File menu, select the Open... option.
- 3. In the Open dialog box that appears, find the drop-down list at the bottom labeled Files of type:. Scroll down through that list and select the XML Files option.
- 4. Locate the saved XML file on your computer, select that file, and click the Open button.

The format will vary depending on the contents of your XML data file, but the fields will be labeled appropriately.

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